## IMPROVED STENT

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A stent comprises a plurality of circumferential bands. Circumferential bands which are adjacent one another are connected one to the other. The circumferential bands include first circumferential bands characterized by a first number of alternating first peaks and first troughs joined by bent struts and second circumferential bands characterized by a second number of alternating second peaks and second troughs joined by bent struts, the second number different from the first number.

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